PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) | |
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| Masao UYAMA, et al. | : | Examiner: Unassigned |
| • | : | Group Art Unit: 2852 |
| Application No.: 10/693,860 |) | Confirmation No.: 4086 |
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated February 4, 2004, for one month (1-month) from April 4, 2004, up to and including May 4, 2004.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

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